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Thanks

... To staff, students, parents, grandparents etc for the many ways in which you supported this week's Calf Club Day. A huge success due to your involvement.

People of the week

... Michelle Martin for her superb leadership and organisation of Calf Club
... our hangi team who organised, dug, peeled, cooked & served.
... those dads, grandads, uncles & all who helped bake cakes for the Silent Auction on Calf Club Day ... over \$1,000 raised
... Tilda Jongkind for organising the Christmas boxes
... Max Nathan for winning the Senior School Raffle - a huge box of grocery.

Term Calendar ... More to follow as dates come to hand!

24 October	Labour Day Holiday
3 November	Whangarei Group Calf Club Day
8 November	Zone Athletics at Poroti School
15-18 Nov.	Year 3 and 4 Camp at Marsden Bay
21 November	Due date for portfolios for Art Scholarship
22 November	Year 7 & 8 Interschool Athletics
29 November	Years 4-6 Interschool Athletics
6 December	School Athletics Day
9 December	Reports issued
12 December	School Prize Giving (pp 13.12)
15 December	Final day of 2016 school year
1 February	First day of 2017 school year

Respect Virtue

Last week you received support material on the **RESPECT** virtue. Please ...

... discuss this with your child
... set some goals
... revisit from time to time

Thanks for your support. Please let us know of special successes.

RESPECT
IS A
TWO-WAY
STREET
TO EARN
RESPECT
YOU MUST SHOW
RESPECT

SCHOOL DROP OFF ZONES

Please do not park and leave your vehicle if you are in the drop off zones. They are for dropping off (or picking up) children only. By leaving your vehicle you are creating congestion and therefore potentially an unsafe area.

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Reminders

- ... A reminder to parents of year 7 and 8 students that staff supervise a Cambridge Study Hour from 3:00 to 4:00pm each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.
- ... Please returned Matarau T-shirts issued on loan we will need all of these back for forthcoming sports events.
- ... **A reminder that sunhats are compulsory in the summer terms.**
- ... Parents intending to enrol their child at WBHS in 2017 are advised that an enrolment catch up day will be held 7 November at WBHS - Parents can book at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz (event code ntec)... Book Club
- .. Scholastic Issue 7 was sent home last week. All orders and payments to the office by 28th October.
- ... If able to assist with lunchtime athletics activities, starting from 25 October, please give Kevin a call. You can choose your preferred field event and your preferred day.
- ... **Term Headlice Inspection is scheduled for week 3, If you can help for 45 mins on Wednesday morning please give Helen a call.**
- ... WGHS orientation 1 November. Please phone the WGHS office for information.

Zone Athletics - Poroti School - 8 November - (pp 9.11) - Years 4 to 8

As advised our zone athletics will be held at Poroti School on Tuesday 8th November. This is an all-day event. As well as an opportunity for our children to improve their athletics skills, this is an opportunity for them to connect with children from other schools. The top placed qualifiers also earn spots in the Whangarei Athletics Championships.

It is our intention to travel by bus, but we recognize that some parents will want to transport their own children. **The cost of the bus will be met from the activity fee paid earlier in the year.**

Please note that there will not be regular classes on this day for year 4 to 8 students.

Consent forms were sent home today. Please complete these promptly and return them to school by Friday 28th October.

Children are asked to bring school sunhats, something warm, lunch, plenty to drink and sunblock and spending money at your discretion. Please also ensure that children wear their Matarau T-Shirts.

Cambridge Update

We are pleased to confirm that our next Cambridge meeting for parents will be held in **room 11 3:15 PM Thursday 3 November**. This is an opportunity for us to share impressions, take questions, invite your input, and tell you of some new developments, including fine tuning of core Cambridge programmes, and expansion of the options programme (to include robotics and coding). Any interested parent is invited to attend, and especially parents of intending year 7 and 8 students. We have some very positive achievement data to share.

Cambridge Pathways ... important message for parents of year 6 and 7 students

We will shortly be making decisions on optimal Cambridge pathways for 2017 (see our website - Cambridge tab - for background details on pathways). As advised earlier, the Cambridge programme is highly flexible. There is plenty of scope to modify the programme to cater for different learning abilities, learning styles, personal circumstances etc. In short, there will not be a one size fits all approach and programmes will contain non-Cambridge material also. We are currently gathering the data necessary to make good pathway decisions and are keen for parents to have input into this process where they feel they would like to. We will have pathway recommendations ready by Monday 14 November, and **interested parents are invited to make an appointment with Mrs Donaldson on 18 or 25 November (both Fridays) or at other times by arrangement with Mrs Donaldson.**

School Cups

2016 prize giving is coming up fast. If you have school cups at home please get these to school at your earliest convenience. Thanks



Art Scholarship

Please let your child's teacher know please if your child needs any help preparing their art display. Due date for these Monday 21 November.

Pick your child up from bus drop off point but running late

.. we are happy to supervise children (for a brief time) after school if you think you may be late in collecting them from bus drop off points.

Finally

I thought I would finish this week's newsletter with a comment emailed to our school office the day after Calf Club Day (I have removed names).

My grandparents turned up today because they thought (*child's name*) was still there, but he'd gone with (*father's name*) mum before 9.00 am. They both said how impressed they were with the school. They said they didn't know anyone else, but that they hardly passed a person that didn't say hello or stop to have a chat with them - both staff and parents. They couldn't get over how friendly and polite all our children were. A student also stopped to open a door for them.

I just thought I'd share that because it shows how genuinely friendly and welcoming everyone is, especially when no one even knew them.

In the busyness of life we sometimes don't notice the many ways we are blessed by others, we become accustomed to things, and begin to take them for granted. In truth, "the grass is sometimes actually greenest on this side of the fence".

It is a given that we are all a work in progress, but this visitor's comment should give us all pause to be thankful (for the school and for each other).

Regards ... *nga mihi*

Kevin Trehwella
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Community Notices

Adult fitness classes Mondays & Thursdays at 4:30pm Matarau School Hall. \$10 per session. Contact Craig Walker on 021 426 795 or walker.highlandr@gmail.com

Stallholders wanted! For the Ruatangata Summer market, which is to be held on Sat 12th Nov at the Ruatangata Hall. The market will have a central focus on 'homegrown'. Stalls are available for \$10. For more information or to book a stall, please phone Anna Agnew on 4351030 or 0212108909.

Kamo Pippins & Brownies – there is space in the Kamo Pippins & Brownies (ages 5-9) groups. Contact kamobrownies@gmail.com for more information.

Wanted to Rent: 2 - 3 bedroom home

I have recently started working on a dairy farm down Finlayson Road. My wife and I have two young children. Please let me know if you have a place to rent in the area. I can provide references. Thank you. Mat Cook, Phone: 020 4106 6866 - email: matyjay01@gmail.com

Kamo Swimming Club – 2016/17 Season - Stroke Improvement lessons for children who can swim 10m in basic strokes without stopping. Held at Kamo High School Pool, Wilkinson Ave Kamo from Monday 31st October at 4.30pm and thereafter Mondays & Fridays. Club nights also held regularly. Registration day Friday 28th October at KHS Pool, come and enrol. High School students welcome - good opportunity to come & swim lengths and get stroke improvement tips and fitness in a relaxed

environment. Cost per swimmer only \$85 for the season – very reasonable cost to ensure your child is swim safe and competent. Contact Karena Nesbit – 027 470 7955.

Skate Classes

Inline or roller skates - Fit - Fun – Fast - Fridays 3.30pm 116 Bank Street Bring a friend for the full term and you'll receive a \$15 off your own term. www.Skatescool.co.nz or facebook

Old Mobile Cell Phone collection – Matarau School are still collecting old mobile phones, drop into the box at the school office anytime.

School Lunches



Mondays - \$3.00 : Baked Beans or Spaghetti served with toast & a juice, or Chicken or Beef Cup of Noodles & a juice. Order at the office by morning tea on Monday.

Wednesdays - \$1.50 : for Sausage (meat or vegetarian option) in bread with sauce. Order on Wednesday mornings through the classroom teacher.

Fridays - \$4.00 : Hot Mince Pie, Jumbo Sausage Roll or Sausage Roll (with Museli Bar), butter chicken or mince & cheese wrap and a Fruit Drink. You can swap the fruit drink for a flavoured milk for \$5.00. *Order by Wednesday at the office, to receive Friday.*

FRIDAY SCHOOL LUNCHES

- ☺ Below is an order form for **Friday** lunches.
- ☺ These can be ordered for the term in advance, or weekly if desired.
- ☺ **Please have weekly orders placed at the school office by the Wednesday to receive an order the following Friday.**

ORDER FORM – Term 4 2016

Child _____

___ Sausage Roll/Muesli Bar/Drink \$4.00
___ Big Daddy Sausage Roll/Drink \$4.00
___ Milk Drink - extra \$1.00

Room _____

___ Mince Pie or Mince N Cheese/Drink \$4.00
___ Mince N Cheese or Butter Chicken Wrap/Drink \$4.00

Child _____

___ Sausage Roll/Muesli Bar/Drink \$4.00
___ Big Daddy Sausage Roll/Drink \$4.00
___ Milk Drink - extra \$1.00

Room _____

___ Mince Pie or Mince N Cheese/Drink \$4.00
___ Mince N Cheese or Butter Chicken Wrap/Drink \$4.00

TERM ORDER - Total Amount Owing For Term 4 - 7 weeks remaining

Items @ \$4.00 x _____ weeks =

Items @ \$5.00 x _____ weeks =

In the case of a child's absence from school and instructions to the contrary, we are unable to guarantee a refund or provide a lunch on a subsequent weeks.